SIRHAN SIRHAN (C), HIS ATTORNEY AND GUARDS AFTER A HEARING

WHO KILLED BOBBY KENNEDY?

The gun which killed Sen. Robert F. Kennedy on June 5, 1968, was not fired by Sirhan B. Sirhan.

So claim Herbert L. MacDonnell, a criminologist of Corning, N.Y., and Dr. John E. Holloway, a ballistics expert from Davis, Cal.

At a recent seminar in forensic medicine at Colby College, Waterville, Me., both authorities declared that the bullet which killed Kennedy did not originate in Sirhan's gun, a claim made by many other students of the crime, which has led to a fresh investigation of the assassination in Los Angeles.

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences points to the "gross difference" in the bullets which were taken from Senator Kennedy who was shot in the head at almost the same time William Weisel was shot in the stomach.

MacDonnell compared the two bullets through a Balliscan camera and reports a marked difference in the grooves of the bullets. These grooves are known technically as cannelures.

The bullet taken from Kennedy, according to MacDonnell, bears one cannelure; the bullet taken from Weisel bears two. The bullets in Sirhan's Iver Johnson .22-caliber pistol carried two cannelures.

Moreover, Dr. Thomas Noguchi, Los Angeles County coroner, testified at Sirhan's trial that the bullet which killed Kennedy was fired from a weapon held about three inches from the victim's head, the bullet entering behind the right ear and fragmenting the brain. Sirhan, according to witnesses, was never closer than two or three feet from the Senator.

There is no doubt but what Sirhan Sirhan was involved in the assassination of Robert Kennedy in the kitchen of the Hotel Ambassador in Los Angeles. There is some doubt, however, that he was the only one. A security guard may also have been accidentally involved.

A new investigation may reveal the whole story.